

displayed on said first display screen and at least another of which is disposed on said second display screen.

16. The method of claim **15**, further comprising the step of: determining a second three-dimensional payline for use with said wager-based game, wherein said second three-dimensional payline comprises a plurality of symbols, symbol portions, stops, designations or any combination thereof, at least one of which is displayed on said first display screen and at least another of which is disposed on said second display screen.

17. A wager-based gaming system, comprising:

a plurality of processor-based gaming machines adapted for accepting a wager, playing a game based on the wager and granting a payout based on the result of the game, each of said plurality of processor-based gaming machines including:

an exterior housing arranged to contain a plurality of internal gaming machine components therein,

a master gaming controller in communication with at least one of said plurality of internal gaming machine components and adapted to execute or control one or more aspects of said wager-based game, and

a multi-layer display device in communication with said master gaming controller and adapted to display a first three-dimensional payline thereupon, said multi-layer display device including a first display screen adapted to present a first visual display and a second display screen adapted to present a second visual display, said second display screen being positioned behind said first display screen such that said first and second visual displays are adapted to combine for a

single visual presentation that includes said first three-dimensional payline to a player of said wager-based game, and wherein said first three-dimensional payline comprises a plurality of symbols, symbol portions, stops, designations or any combination thereof, at least one of which is displayed on said first display screen and at least another of which is disposed on said second display screen; and

a remote host in communication with said plurality of processor-based gaming machines, said remote host being adapted to download one or more three-dimensional payline parameters, three-dimensional payline games, or both, to one or more of said plurality of processor-based gaming machines.

18. A three-dimensional payline, comprising:

a first stop located at a first gaming position;

a second stop located at a second gaming position; and

a third stop located at a third gaming position,

wherein said first, second and third stops are arranged in a designated order to form a line and provide a wager-based game outcome therefor,

and wherein said line includes a horizontal component, a vertical component and a depth component with respect to a player of said wager-based game.

19. The three-dimensional payline of claim **18**, wherein said first, second and third stops comprise reel stops for virtual reels.

20. The three-dimensional payline of claim **18**, wherein said three-dimensional payline is displayed on a wager-based gaming machine having a multi-layer display.

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